

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 2005-272-T - ORDER NO. 2005-537  
OCTOBER 3, 2005

IN RE: Application of Charles G. Marion, Jr. d/b/a BC ) ORDER APPROVING  
Movers & Storage, Post Office Box 1528, ) FUEL SURCHARGE  
Lexington, South Carolina 29071 (District 2) )  
for a 5% Fuel Surcharge. )

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of Charles G. Marion, Jr. d/b/a BC Movers & Storage (BC Movers or the Company) for a 5% fuel surcharge. BC Movers states that this request is necessitated by the increasing price of fuel.

A review of the Commission's records reveals that BC Movers was granted a Class E Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity by Commission Order No. 96-458, dated July 10, 1996, in Docket No. 96-050-T, to transport household goods.

We have also received a letter from the Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) related to this matter. ORS states that, in light of the steady increase in fuel prices over the past several months, ORS does not oppose the Commission's consideration of the request on an expedited basis. ORS further notes that BC Movers was granted a rate increase in June, 2004<sup>1</sup>, but this increase did not include a fuel surcharge. ORS states that the average price of diesel fuel at that time was 164.0 cents per gallon and that as of September 12, 2005, the average price of diesel fuel was 295.1 cents per gallon.

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<sup>1</sup> Commission Order No. 2004-306 issued June 22, 2004, in Docket No. 2004-38-T.

According to ORS, applying these fuel prices to a matrix would show BC Movers' request of 5% to be considerably lower than the percent of increase in fuel prices since the company's last rate increase. Based on this analysis, ORS supports the granting of a 5% fuel surcharge to BC Movers.

We have examined the request of BC Movers and the information provided by the ORS, and we hereby find that the request should be approved.


IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the request of Charles G. Marion, Jr. d/b/a BC Movers & Storage for approval of a 5% fuel surcharge is hereby granted.
2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
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Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:

  
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G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman

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